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This document relates to a magnetic recording reproducing To be more specific, it relates to a magnetic apparatus. reproducing apparatus which defines a bias for fixity of a reproducing GMR head and a vertical bias structure. specification discloses that a reproducing GMR head linearly responds to a reproducing signal from a medium, and outputs a reproducing signal, and recording media may be vertical anisotropic media, but does not disclose the response range of the present invention.

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This document relates to a manufacturing method of a spin valve magnetic resistance head. To be more specific, it relates to a manufacturing method of the fixity of magnetization of a pin layer of a spin valve GMR head, and contains no description concerning the definition of the reproducing operation in the present invention.

Toshiba Engineer's Comment

U.S. patents No. 5,933, 297 and No. 6,125,019, copies of which are enclosed, correspond to document No. 2000-156317.